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1. THE OFFICIAL AMERICAN DELEGATION TO THE FUNERAL OF ARCH-BISHOP MAKARIOS, HEADED BY CHIEF JUSTICE AND MRS. BURGER AND INCLUDING THE PRESIDENT'S SISTER, MRS. RUTH CARTER STAPLETON, SENATORS MATHIAS, AND SARBANES, CONGRESSMAN BRADEMAS, FOLEY, SIMON, AND BUCHANAN, ASSISTANT SECRETARY VEST, MAYORS ALEXANDER AND LANDRIEU, AMONG OTHERS, CONSTITUTED A DISTINUGISHED
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AND IMPRESSIVE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATION WHICH WAS DEEPLY APPRECIATED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF CYPRUS AND THE GREEK CYPRIOT COMMUNITY. THE MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION ALSO TOOK FULL ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES DURING THEIR BRIEF VISIT TO BECOME BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH CYPRUS. FOLLOWING IS AN OUTLINE OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE DELEGATES DURING THEIR VISIT TO CYPRUS FROM AUGUST 7 TO 9, 1977:

2. SUNDAY, AUGUST 7: DELEGATION ARRIVED LARNACA AIRPORT. ARRIVAL STATEMENTS DELIVERED BY CHIEF JUSTICE BURGER, SECRETARY CLIFFORD, SENATOR SARBANES AND CONGRESSMAN BRADEMAs (REPORTED SEPTELS). SUNDAY EVENING, GOC OFFICIALS MADE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR CLIFFORD, ALL CODEL MEMBERS AND STEVE PROTULIS OF UAW TO VIEW BODY OF PRESIDENT LYING IN STATE AND TO SIGN CONDOLENCE BOOK. IN THE EARLY EVENING, ENTIRE DELEGATION WAS INVITED TO A RECEPTION AT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. FOLLOWING THE RECEPTION, CHIEF JUSTICE AND MRS. BURGER, SECRETARY CLIFFORD AND MRS. DOBELLE DINED WITH THE AMBASSADOR. MRS. STAPLETON AND MAYOR ALEXANDER WERE INVITED TO DINNER BY CYPRUS BROADCASTING CORPORATION (CBC) BOARD CHAIRMAN LOUKIS PETRIDES AND WIFE. MOST OF THE REMAINDER OF DELEGATION DINED AT HILTON WITH SEVERAL EMBOFFS AND WIVES AND GREEK CYPRIOT LEADERS.

3. MONDAY, AUGUST 8: ENTIRE DELEGATION ATTENDED FUNERAL SERVICES AT CHURCH OF THE HOLY VIRGIN OF PALOURIOTISSA, 0830-1130. SARBANES, BRADEMAs AND AMBASSADOR ACCOMPANIED CORTEGE TO BURIAL SITE IN REMOTE TROODOS MOUNTAINS. DURING AFTERNOON, MRS. STAPLETON AND MAYOR ALEXANDER VISITED VILLAGES IN TROODOS AS GUESTS OF MR. AND MRS. LOUKIS PETRIDES. CONGRESSIONAL CONTINGENT (MINUS SARBANES AND BRADEMAs) TOURED IN COMPANY OF AID OFFICER A.I.D.-FINANCED HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS FROM 1400-1600 HOURS (HOUSING UNITS, UNCLASSIFIED

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WELFARE CENTER, OLD AGE HOME AND SCHOOL AT PANO LAKATAMIA; CANCER HOME; ATHALASSA HOSPITAL; AND LOW-COST AND SELF-HELP HOUSING AT LATCHIA). THE SAME GROUP PLUS SEVERAL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION THEN VISITED THE CYPRUS MUSEUM, THE GREEN LINE, A.I.D.-FINANCED REFUGEE HOUSING AT STROVOLOS AND THE PRESIDENTIAL PALACE FROM 1600-1800 HOURS. CLIFFORD, VEST AND LEDSKY MET WITH UNSYG SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE DE CUELLAR AT THE RESIDENCE FROM 1830-1930. ACTING PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU RECEIVED CONDOLENCES FROM USDEL AND OTHER DELS AT A RECEPTION AT THE CYPRUS HILTON HOTEL FROM 2030-2230 HOURS. USDEL WAS THEN THE GUEST OF HILTON MANAGER DIETER HUCKESTEIN AT A DINNER AT THE HOTEL.

4. TUESDAY, AUGUST 9: SECRETARY CLIFFORD PRESS CONFERENCE AT AMERICAN CENTER (REPORTED SEPTEL). SENATOR SARBANES AND CONGRESSMAN BRADEMAs VISITED STROVOLOS REFUGEE HOUSING SITE WITH GOC RELIEF COORDINATOR STELLA SOULIOTI. SARBANES ALSO MET BRIEFLY WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE KARPASS REFUGEE COMMITTEE. DELEGATION DEPARTED NICOSIA APPROXIMATELY 1000 HOURS FOR LARNACA AIRPORT AND DEPARTED LARNACA AT 1200 HOURS.

5. MAYOR ALEXANDER REMAINS IN NICOSIA ON A PROJECT FOR

RETARDED CHILDREN'S HOME WHICH HIS COMMITTEE ON AID TO
CYPRUS HAS FINANCED.
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